

Upper and lower nearly (I, J) -continuous multifunctions

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Abstract. In this paper the authors introduce and study upper and lower nearly (I, J) -continuous multifunctions. Some characterizations and several properties concerning upper (lower) nearly (I, J) -continuous multifunctions are obtained. The results improves many results in Literature.

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1. Introduction

It is well known today, that the notion of multifunction is playing a very important role in general topology, upper and lower continuity have been extensively studied on multifunctions $F : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$. Currently using the notion of topological ideal, different types of upper and lower continuity in multifunction $F : (X, \tau, I) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ have been studied and characterized [2], [7], [8], [9], [14], [17]. The concept of ideal topological spaces has been introduced and studied by Kuratowski [12] and the local function of a subset A of a topological space (X, τ) was introduced by Vaidyanathaswamy [16] as follows: Given a topological space (X, τ) with an ideal I on X and if $P(X)$ is the set of all subsets of X , a set operator $(.)^* : P(X) \rightarrow P(X)$, called the local function of A with respect to τ and I , is defined as follows: for $A \subseteq X$, $A^*(\tau, I) = \{x \in X / U \cap A \notin I \text{ for every } U \in \tau_x\}$, where $\tau_x = \{U \in \tau : x \in U\}$. A Kuratowski closure operator $cl^*(.,.)$ for a topology $\tau^*(\tau, I)$ called the $*$ -topology, finer than τ is defined by $cl^*(A) = A \cup A^*(\tau, I)$. We will denote $A^*(\tau, I)$ by A^* . In 1990, Jankovic and Hamlett [10], introduced the notion of I -open set in a topological space (X, τ) with an ideal I on X . In 1992, Abd El-Monsef et al. [1] further investigated I -open sets and I -continuous functions. In 2007, Akdag [2], introduce the concept of I -continuous multifunctions in a topological space with an ideal on it. Given a multifunction $F : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$, and two ideals I, J on X and Y respectively. Now with the topological spaces (X, τ, I) and (Y, σ, J) , consider the multifunction $F : (X, \tau, I) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, J)$. We want to study some type of upper and lower continuity of F . In this paper, we introduce and study a new class of multifunction called a nearly (I, J) -continuous multifunctions in topological spaces. Investigate its relation with another class of continuous multifunctions given in the Literature.

2. Preliminaries

Throughout this paper, (X, τ) and (Y, σ) (or simply X and Y) always mean topological spaces in which no separation axioms are assumed, unless explicitly stated and if I is an ideal on X , (X, τ, I) mean an ideal topological space. For a subset A of (X, τ) , $cl(A)$ and $int(A)$ denote the closure of A with respect to τ and the interior of A with respect to τ , respectively. A subset A is said to be regular open [15] (resp. semiopen [11], preopen [13], semi preopen [4]) if $A = int(cl(A))$ (resp. $A \subseteq cl(int(A))$, $A \subseteq int(cl(A))$, $A \subseteq cl(int(cl(A)))$). The complement of regular open (resp. semiopen, semi-preopen) set is called regular closed (resp. semiclosed, semi-preclosed) set. A subset S of (X, τ, I) is an I -open [10], if $S \subseteq int(S^*)$. The complement of an I -open set is called I -closed set. The I -closure and the I -interior, can be defined in the same way as $cl(A)$ and $int(A)$, respectively, will be denoted by $Icl(A)$ and $Iint(A)$, respectively. The family of all I -open (resp. I -closed, regular open, regular closed, semiopen, semi closed, preopen, semi-preclosed) subsets of a (X, τ, I) , denoted by $IO(X)$ (resp.

$IC(X), RO(X), RC(X), SO(X), SC(X), PO(X), SPO(X), SPC(X)$). We set $IO(X, x) = \{A : A \in IO(X) \text{ and } x \in A\}$. It is well known that in a topological space (X, τ, I) , $X^* \subseteq X$ but if the ideal is codense, that is $\tau \cap I = \emptyset$, then $X \subseteq X^*$.

By a multifunction $F : X \rightarrow Y$, we mean a point-to-set correspondence from X into Y , also we always assume that $F(x) \neq \emptyset$ for all $x \in X$. For a multifunction $F : X \rightarrow Y$, the upper and lower inverse of any subset A of Y , denoted by $F^+(A)$ and $F^-(A)$, respectively, that is $F^+(A) = \{x \in X : F(x) \subseteq A\}$ and $F^-(A) = \{x \in X : F(x) \cap A \neq \emptyset\}$. In particular, $F^+(y) = \{x \in X : y \in F(x)\}$ for each point $y \in Y$.

Definition 2.1 ([2]). A multifunction $F : (X, \tau, I) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is said to be

1. upper I -continuous if for each $x \in X$ and each open set V of Y such that $x \in F^+(V)$, there exists an I -open set U containing x such that $U \subseteq F^+(V)$.
2. lower I -continuous if for each $x \in X$ and each open set V of Y such that $x \in F^-(V)$, there exists an I -open set U containing x such that $U \subseteq F^-(V)$.
3. I -continuous if it is both upper I -continuous and lower I -continuous.

Definition 2.2 ([6]). A multifunction $F : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is said to be

1. upper semi continuous at a point $x \in X$ if for each open set V of Y with $F(x) \in V$, there exists an open set U containing x such that $F(U) \subseteq V$.
2. lower semi continuous at a point $x \in X$ if for each open set V of Y with $F(x) \cap V \neq \emptyset$, there exists an open set U containing x such that $F(a) \cap V \neq \emptyset$ for all $a \in U$.

Definition 2.3. A subset A of a topological space (X, τ) is said to be N -closed [6] if every cover of A by regular open sets of X has a finite subcover.

Definition 2.4 ([8]). A multifunction $F : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is said to be:

1. upper nearly continuous at a point $x \in X$ if for each open set V containing $F(x)$ and having N -closed complement, there exists an open set U containing x such that $F(U) \subset V$.
2. lower nearly continuous at a point $x \in X$ if for each open set V of Y meeting $F(x)$ and having N -closed complement, there exists an open set U of X containing x such that $F(u) \cap V \neq \emptyset$ for each $u \in U$.
3. upper (resp. lower) nearly continuous on X if it has this property at every point of X .

Definition 2.5 ([9]). A multifunction $F : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is said to be:

1. *upper almost nearly continuous at a point $x \in X$ if for each open set V containing $F(x)$ and having N -closed complement, there exists an open set U containing x such that $F(U) \subset \text{int}(\text{cl}(V))$.*
2. *lower almost nearly continuous at a point $x \in X$ if for each open set V of Y meeting $F(x)$ and having N -closed complement, there exists an open set U of X containing x such that $F(u) \cap \text{int}(\text{cl}(V)) \neq \emptyset$ for each $u \in U$.*
3. *upper (resp. lower) almost nearly continuous on X if it has this property at every point of X .*

Definition 2.6 ([5]). *A multifunction $F : (X, \tau, I) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is said to be:*

1. *upper nearly I -continuous at a point $x \in X$ if for each open set V containing $F(x)$ and having N -closed complement, there exists an I -open set U containing x such that $F(U) \subset V$.*
2. *lower nearly I -continuous at a point $x \in X$ if for each open set V of Y meeting $F(x)$ and having N -closed complement, there exists an I -open set U of X containing x such that $F(u) \cap V \neq \emptyset$ for each $u \in U$.*
3. *upper (resp. lower) nearly I -continuous on X if it has this property at every point of X .*

Definition 2.7 ([7]). *A multifunction $F : (X, \tau, I) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is said to be:*

1. *upper almost nearly I -continuous at a point $x \in X$ if for each open set V containing $F(x)$ and having N -closed complement, there exists an I -open set U containing x such that $F(U) \subset \text{int}(\text{cl}(V))$.*
2. *lower almost nearly I -continuous at a point $x \in X$ if for each open set V of Y meeting $F(x)$ and having N -closed complement, there exists an I -open set U of X containing x such that $F(u) \cap \text{int}(\text{cl}(V)) \neq \emptyset$ for each $u \in U$.*
3. *upper (resp. lower) almost nearly I -continuous on X if it has this property at every point of X .*

3. Upper and lower nearly (I, J) -continuous multifunctions

Definition 3.1. *A multifunction $F : (X, \tau, I) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, J)$ is said to be:*

1. *upper nearly (I, J) -continuous at a point $x \in X$ if for each J -open set V containing $F(x)$ and having N -closed complement, there exists an I -open set U containing x such that $F(U) \subset V$.*
2. *lower nearly (I, J) -continuous at a point $x \in X$ if for each J -open set V of Y meeting $F(x)$ and having N -closed complement, there exists an I -open set U of X containing x such that $F(u) \cap V \neq \emptyset$ for each $u \in U$.*

3. upper (resp. lower) nearly (I, J) -continuous on X if it has this property at every point of X .

Example 3.2. Let $X = Y = \{a, b, c\}$ with two topologies $\tau = \{\emptyset, X, \{b\}\}$, $\sigma = \{\emptyset, Y, \{a\}\}$ and two ideals $I = \{\emptyset, \{a\}\}$, $J = \{\emptyset, \{b\}\}$. Define a multifunction $f : (X, \tau, I) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, J)$ as follows: $f(a) = \{a\}$, $f(b) = \{c\}$ and $f(c) = \{b\}$. It is easy to see that:

The set of all I -open is $\{\emptyset, X, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}, \{b, c\}\}$.

The set of all J -open is $\{\emptyset, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}\}$.

In consequence, f is upper nearly (I, J) -continuous on X .

Example 3.3. Let $X = Y = \{a, b, c\}$ with two topologies $\tau = \{\emptyset, X, \{b, c\}\} = \sigma$ and two ideals $I = \{\emptyset, \{b\}\} = J$. Define a multifunction $f : (X, \tau, I) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, J)$ as follows: $f(a) = \{a\}$, $f(b) = \{c\}$ and $f(c) = \{b\}$. It is easy to see that:

The set of all I -open is $\{\emptyset, X, \{c\}, \{a, c\}, \{b, c\}\}$.

In consequence, f is not upper nearly (I, J) -continuous.

Recall that if (X, τ, I) is an ideal topological space and I is the empty ideal, then for each $A \subseteq X$, $A^* = cl(A)$, that is to said, every I -open set is a pre-open set, in consequence, if $f : (X, \tau, I) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, \{\emptyset\})$ is upper nearly $(I, \{\emptyset\})$ -continuous, then f is upper nearly I -continuous.

Example 3.4. $f : (X, \tau, I) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ upper nearly I -continuous but $f : (X, \tau, I) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, \{\emptyset\})$ is not upper nearly $(I, \{\emptyset\})$ -continuous.

Now consider (X, τ, I) and (Y, σ, J) two ideals topological spaces, If $J \neq \{\emptyset\}$, then the concepts of upper nearly (I, J) -continuous and upper nearly I -continuous are independent, as we can see in the following examples.

Example 3.5. In the Example 3.2, the multifunction f is upper nearly (I, J) -continuous on X but is not upper nearly I -continuous on X .

Example 3.6. In the Example 3.3, the multifunction f is upper nearly I -continuous on X but is not upper nearly (I, J) -continuous on X .

Example 3.7. Let \mathbb{R} be the set of real numbers with the discrete topology τ_d and $I = \{\emptyset\} = J$. Consider the multifunction $F : (\mathbb{R}, \tau_d, I) \rightarrow (\mathbb{R}, \tau_d, J)$ defined as follows: $F(x) = \{x\}$ for all $x \in \mathbb{R}$. It is easy to see that: F is upper (resp. lower) nearly (I, J) -continuous on X .

Remark 3.8. It is easy to see that if $F : (X, \tau, I) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, J)$ is a multifunction and $JO(Y) \subset \sigma$. If F is upper (lower) nearly I -continuous, then F is upper (lower) nearly (I, J) -continuous. Even more, if $F : (X, \tau, I) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, J)$ is a multifunction and $JO(Y) \subset \sigma$, we can find upper (resp. lower) nearly (I, J) -continuous on X that are not upper (lower) nearly I -continuous.

The following theorem characterize the upper nearly (I, J) continuous multifunctions.

Theorem 3.9. For a multifunction $F : (X, \tau, I) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, J)$, the following statements are equivalent:

1. F is upper nearly (I, J) -continuous.
2. $F^+(V)$ is I -open for each J -open set V of Y having N -closed complement.
3. $F^-(K)$ is I -closed for every N -closed and J -closed subset K of Y .
4. $I\text{cl}(F^-(B)) \subset F^-(J\text{cl}(B))$ for every subset B of Y having N -closed J -closure.
5. $F^+(J\text{int}(B)) \subset I\text{int}(F^+(B))$ for every subset B of Y such that $Y \setminus J\text{int}(B)$ is N -closed.

Proof. (1) \Rightarrow (2): Let $x \in F^+(V)$ and V be any J -open set of Y having N -closed complement. From (1), there exists an I -open set U_x containing x such that $U_x \subset F^+(V)$. It follows that $F^+(V) = \bigcup_{x \in F^+(V)} U_x$. Since any union of

I -open sets is I -open, $F^+(V)$ is I -open in (X, τ) .

(2) \Rightarrow (3): Let K be any N -closed and J -closed set of Y . Then by (2), $F^+(Y \setminus K) = X \setminus F^-(K)$ is an I -open set. Then it is obtained that $F^-(K)$ is an I -closed set.

(3) \Rightarrow (4): Let B be any subset of Y having N -closed J -closure. By (3), we have $F^-(B) \subset F^-(J\text{cl}(B)) = I\text{cl}(F^-(J\text{cl}(B)))$. Hence $I\text{cl}(F^-(B)) \subset I\text{cl}(F^-(J\text{cl}(B))) = F^-(J\text{cl}(B))$.

(4) \Rightarrow (5): Let B be a subset of Y such that $Y \setminus J\text{int}(B)$ is N -closed.

Then by (4), we have $X \setminus I\text{int}(F^+(B)) = I\text{cl}(X \setminus F^+(B)) = I\text{cl}(F^-(Y \setminus B)) \subset F^-(J\text{cl}(Y \setminus B)) = F^-(Y \setminus J\text{int}(B)) = X \setminus F^+(J\text{int}(B))$. Therefore, we obtain $F^+(J\text{int}(B)) \subset I\text{int}(F^+(B))$.

(5) \Rightarrow (1): Let $x \in X$ and V be any J -open set of Y containing $F(x)$ and having N -closed complement. Then by (5), $x \in F^+(V) = F^+(J\text{int}(V)) \subset I\text{int}(F^+(V))$. In consequence, there exists an I -open set U containing x such that $U \subset F^+(V)$; hence $F(U) \subset V$. This shows that F is upper nearly I -continuous. \square

Theorem 3.10. For a multifunction $F : (X, \tau, I) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, J)$, the following statements are equivalent:

1. F is lower nearly (I, J) -continuous.
2. $F^-(V)$ is I -open for each J -open set V of Y having N -closed complement.
3. $F^+(K)$ is I -closed for every N -closed and J -closed set K of Y .
4. $I\text{cl}(F^+(B)) \subset F^+(J\text{cl}(B))$ for every subset B of Y having N -closed closure.

5. $F^-(J\text{int}(B)) \subset I\text{int}(F^-(B))$ for every subset B of Y such that $Y \setminus J\text{int}(B)$ is N -closed.

Proof. The proof is similar to that of Theorem 3.9. \square

Corollary 3.11. A multifunction $F : (X, \tau, I) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, J)$ is upper nearly (I, J) -continuous (resp. lower nearly (I, J) -continuous) if $F^-(K)$ is I -closed (resp. $F^+(K)$ is I -closed) for every N -closed set K of Y .

Proof. Let G be any J -open set of Y having N -closed complement. Then $Y \setminus G$ is N -closed. By the hypothesis, $X \setminus F^+(G) = F^-(Y \setminus G) = I\text{int}(F^-(Y \setminus G)) = I\text{cl}(X \setminus F^+(G)) = X \setminus I\text{int}(F^+(G))$ and hence, $F^+(G) = I\text{int}(F^+(G))$. It follows from Theorem 3.9, that F is upper nearly (I, J) -continuous. The proof of lower nearly (I, J) -continuous is entirely similar. \square

Definition 3.12. A multifunction $F : (X, \tau, I) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, J)$ is said to be:

1. upper (I, J) -continuous at a point $x \in X$ if for each J -open set V containing $F(x)$, there exists an I -open set U containing x such that $F(U) \subset V$.
2. lower (I, J) -continuous at a point $x \in X$ if for each J -open set V of Y meeting $F(x)$, there exists an I -open set U of X containing x such that $F(u) \cap V \neq \emptyset$ for each $u \in U$.
3. upper (resp. lower) (I, J) -continuous on X if it has this property at every point of X .

Example 3.13. The Multifunction defined in Example 3.7 is upper nearly (I, J) -continuous on X but is not upper (I, J) -continuous on X .

Remark 3.14. Every upper (resp. lower) (I, J) -continuous multifunction on X is upper (resp. lower) nearly (I, J) -continuous multifunction on X , but the converse is not necessarily true, as we can see in the following example.

Example 3.15. The Multifunction defined in Example 3.2 is upper nearly (I, J) -continuous on X but is not upper (I, J) -continuous.

Theorem 3.16. For a multifunction $F : (X, \tau, I) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, J)$, the following statements are equivalent:

1. F is upper (I, J) -continuous.
2. $F^+(V)$ is I -open for each J -open set V of Y .
3. $F^-(K)$ is I -closed for every J -closed subset K of Y .
4. $I\text{cl}(F^-(B)) \subset F^-(J\text{cl}(B))$ for every subset B of Y .
5. For each point $x \in X$ and each J -open set V containing $F(x)$, $F^+(V)$ is an I -open containing x .

6. For each point $x \in X$ and each J -open set containing $F(x)$, there exist an I -open set U containing x such that $F(U) \subseteq V$.

Proof. The proof is similar to that of Theorem 3.9. \square

Theorem 3.17. Let $F : (X, \tau, I) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, J)$ and $G : (Y, \sigma, J) \rightarrow (Z, \beta, K)$ be multifunctions. If F is upper nearly (I, J) -continuous (upper (I, J) -continuous) and G upper (I, J) -continuous (upper nearly (I, J) -continuous), then $F \circ G : (X, \tau, I) \rightarrow (Z, \beta, K)$ is upper nearly (I, J) -continuous.

Definition 3.18. An ideal topological space (X, τ, I) is said to be I -compact [3] if every cover of X by I -open sets have a finite subcover.

Definition 3.19. A multifunction $F : (X, \tau, I) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, J)$ is said to be:

1. upper (I, J) -irresolute at a point $x \in X$ if for each I -open set U containing x , there exists an I -open set V containing $F(x)$ such that $F(U) \subset V$.
2. lower (I, J) -irresolute at a point $x \in X$ if for each J -open set V of Y meeting $F(x)$, there exists an I -open set U containing x such that $U \subseteq F^-(V)$.
3. upper (resp. lower) (I, J) -irresolute on X if it has this property at every point of X .

Theorem 3.20. Let $F : (X, \tau, I) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, J)$ be a surjective (I, J) -irresolute multifunction such that $F(x)$ is J -compact for each $x \in X$. If (X, τ, I) is I -compact, then (Y, σ, J) is J -compact.

Proof. Let $\{V_i : i \in \Delta\}$ be a J -open cover of Y . For each $x \in X$, there exists a finite subset $\Delta(x)$ of Δ such that $F(x) \subseteq \bigcup\{V_i : i \in \Delta(x)\}$. Consider $V(x) = \bigcup\{V_i : i \in \Delta(x)\}$. Then $F(x) \subseteq V(x) \in JO(Y)$. using the fact that F is (I, J) -irresolute, then there exist an $U(x) \in IO(X)$ such that $F(U(x)) \subset V(x)$. Now using the that F is surjective, then the collection $\{U(x) : x \in X\}$ is an I -open cover of X . In consequence, there exists a finite number of points of X , say, x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n such that $X = \bigcup_{i=1}^n \{U(x_i)\}$. It follows that $F(X) = F(\bigcup_{i=1}^n \{U(x_i)\}) \subseteq \bigcup_{i=1}^n \{F(U(x_i))\} \subseteq \bigcup_{i=1}^n \{V(x_i)\} \subseteq \bigcup_{i=1}^n \bigcup_{i \in \Delta(x_i)} U(x_i)$. It follows that Y is J -compact. \square

Definition 3.21. A multifunction $f : (X, \tau, I) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, J)$ is said to be:

1. upper almost nearly (I, J) -continuous at a point $x \in X$ if for each J -open set V containing $F(x)$ and having N -closed complement, there exists an I -open set U containing x such that $F(U) \subset \text{int}(J\text{cl}(V))$.
2. lower almost nearly (I, J) -continuous at a point $x \in X$ if for each J -open set V of Y meeting $F(x)$ and having N -closed complement, there exists an I -open set U of X containing x such that $F(u) \cap \text{int}(J\text{cl}(V)) \neq \emptyset$ for each $u \in U$.

3. upper (resp. lower) almost nearly (I, J) -continuous on X if it has this property at every point of X .

Example 3.22. Let $X = \mathbb{R}$ the set of real numbers with the topology $\tau = \{\emptyset, \mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R} \setminus \mathbb{Q}\}$, $Y = \mathbb{R}$ with the topology $\sigma = \{\emptyset, \mathbb{R}, \mathbb{Q}\}$ and $I = \{\emptyset\} = J$. Define $F : (X, \tau, I) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma, J)$ as follows: $F(x) = \mathbb{Q}$ if $x \in \mathbb{Q}$ and $F(x) = \mathbb{R} \setminus \mathbb{Q}$ if $x \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \mathbb{Q}$. It is easy to see that F is upper (resp. lower) almost nearly (I, J) -continuous on X .

It is clear that every upper (resp. lower) (I, J) -continuous multifunction is upper (resp. lower) nearly (I, J) -continuous multifunction and every upper (resp. lower) nearly (I, J) -continuous multifunction is upper (resp. lower) almost nearly (I, J) -continuous multifunction but the converse in both cases is not true in general as shown in the following examples.

Example 3.23. Let \mathbb{R} with the finite complement topology τ_c and with the discrete topology, take $I = \{\emptyset\} = J$. Consider the multifunction $F : (\mathbb{R}, \tau_c, I) \rightarrow (\mathbb{R}, \tau_d, J)$ defined as follows: $F(x) = \{x\}$ for all $x \in \mathbb{R}$. It is easy to see that: F is upper (resp. lower) nearly (I, J) -continuous on X but is not upper (resp. lower) (I, J) -continuous on X .

Example 3.24. The multifunction F defined in Example 3.22 is upper (resp. lower) nearly almost (I, J) -continuous on X but is not upper (resp. lower) nearly (I, J) -continuous on X .

At this point, there are a question. Given a multifunction $F : (X, \tau, I) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$. It is possible to write a characterization for upper (resp. lower) nearly almost (I, J) -continuous on X .

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